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SUBJ: URANIUM ENRICHMENT SUPPLY CONTRACT

REF: (A) USERDA 0521302 JUNE 1975, NOTAL (B) USERDA 1019452 JUNE 1975 NOTAL (C) RUBIN-CHARGE TELECOM JUNE 19, 1975 (D) STATE 126581

- 1. OFFICIALS OF COMPANHIA PORTUGUESA DE ELECTRICIDADE (CPE) INFORMED EMBOFF THAT COMPANY HAS MADE PROVISIONAL DECISION ON QUESTION OF URANIUM CONTRACT EXTENSION. CPE MUST OBTAIN APPROVAL FROM MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND TECHNOLOGY BEFORE RELAYING ITS DECISION TO USERDA.
- 2. ENGINEER ROSA OF CPE SAID DECISION HAD BEEN DELAYED BY USERDA FAILURE TO RESPOND TO CPE LETTER AND TELEX REQUESTING CLARIFICATION OF SEVERAL POINTS IN MARCH 7 USERDA TELEX. LACKING REQUESTED CLARIFICATIONS, COMPANY BELIEVES IT WAS FORCED TO MAKE DECISION "IN THE BLIND".
- 3. ROSA CLAIMED, WITHOUT MENTIONING ANY SPECIFICS, UNCLASSIFIED

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THAT CONTRACT TERMS WERE DIFFICULT TO RECONCILE WITH

PORTUGUESE NUCLEAR POWER DEVELOPMENT SCHEDULE.
NEVERTHELESS CPE HAS DECIDED TO RENEW AT LEAST ONE OF
ITS CONTRACTS, IF IT RECEIVES MINISTERIAL APPROVAL.

4. EMBOFF STRESSED THAT USERDA MUST BE NOTIFIED OF GOP DECISION BY JUNE 25. ROSA SAID THAT CPE WOULD TELEX USERDA BY EARLY NEXT WEEK.
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